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Mexico: amendments to article 21

Mexico proposes to amend article 21 to read as follows:

"*Article 21*

"*Criminalization of trading in influence [Criminalization of influence-peddling]*

"Each State Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as a criminal offence trading in influence, which shall be understood as:

"(a) Any act performed by a public official on his or her own account or through a third party to promote or to procure the illicit processing or negotiation of public transactions that do not pertain to the duties inherent to his or her public office; and

"(b) Any act by any person to promote the illicit conduct of a public official or abet the processing or negotiation referred to in paragraph (a) of this article."

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